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## NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

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- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/07/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/07/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 12/07/2005
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette filed on 06/07/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 12/07/2005
- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 12/07/2005
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- Priority Documents filed on 12/07/2005
- Specification filed on 12/07/2005
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- Abstracts filed on 12/07/2005
- Drawings filed on 12/07/2005
- Paper nucleotide sequence listings filed on 12/07/2005

Applicant's response filed 06/07/2006 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 04/04/2006 have not been completed.

- A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked-up "Raw Sequence Listing." Applicant must provide a substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d).

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**1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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